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at stake today depending upon these two forces of school and church. American life, its youth, its ideals, its whole future as to good morals and sound learning, is dependent as never before upon the wise counsels, the vigorous partnership, the broad vision and union of these two servants of the state. What is now needed is intelligent conference, mutual understanding, appreciative partnership. It is to be hoped that one great result of the Interchurch World Movement, which seeks to find out through the Education Department what the schools of America are doing or might be doing to train Christian leaders for the great tasks of the new day, will be to help reconnect, in some vital way, these two great agencies, which have in so many cases walked in separate ways in these latter days. That once again the little red school house of song and story, and the little white meeting house of faith and sentiment may stand again in the new day, as in days gone by, side by side.

THE EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN OF THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF EDUCATION

At the National Citizens' Conference on Education held in Washington, May 19-21, 1920, in which ambassadors to the United States, officers of the Federal Government, governors of states and representative citizens from all sections of the country participated, it was decided that a campaign of education about education was imperative. The United States Bureau of Education was authorized to inaugurate this campaign immediately and carry it on to a successful conclusion.

As a further step in the development of the campaign plans a National Conference on Educational Campaigns was held on June 25 at Washington under the leadership of the Bureau of Education which was participated in by representatives of numerous national and patriotic organizations which have more or less well developed Departments of Publicity. A special committee of this conference consisting of Albert G. Bauersfeld of the Vocational Education Association of the Middle West, Miss Florence King, representing the National Woman's Association of Commerce, and Robert L. Kelly, representing the Council of Church Boards of Education made the following report which was unanimously adopted.

The representatives of the various organizations meeting on June 25, 1920, at the call of the United States Commissioner

of Education, hereby subscribe to the following statement:

- 1. There is no question of greater interest and concern to the people of a democracy than the question of education. The achievements of our people throughout their history have been due in large measure to the ideals and principles of our American system of education.
- 2. Never have these ideals and principles been fully realized and we find ourselves now in the midst of a national crisis.
- 3. We are convinced that there is urgent need for action along the following lines:
- a. The assurance of an adequate supply of properly prepared teachers, including greatly extended facilities for their proper preparation.
- b. Increased financial support for schools and educational agencies of all kinds.
- c. Readjustment of educational programs to meet the demands of the new era.
- 4. We recommend to the organizations which we represent that they co-operate in all possible ways in the educational campaign now being conducted by the Bureau of Education under authorization of the National Citizens' Conference on education and we pledge ourselves to endeavor at the earliest possible moment to secure official action to that end by these organizations.

The organizations represented at this conference by official delegates are here named:

American Country Life Association.

American Civic Association.

American Bankers Association.

American Federation of Labor.

American Farm Bureau Federation.

American Woman's Legion of the Great War.

American Automobile Association.

American Farm Bureaus.

Council of Young Men's Hebrew and Kindred Associations.

Council of Church Boards of Education.

Council of Jewish Women.

Chamber of Commerce of the U.S.A.

Federation for Child Study.

Girl Scouts.

General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Grand Army of the Republic.

League of American Pen Women.

International Kindergarten Union.

National Association of Manufacturers.

National Woman's Association of Commerce.

National Civic Federation.

National League of Women Voters.

National Federation of Teachers.

National Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The American Red Cross.

Sons of the Revolution.

Salvation Army.

U. S. Department of Labor, Children's Bureau.

Vocational Education Association of the Middle West.

Young Women's Christian Association.

THE COUNCIL AND THE U.S. BUREAU

The following suggestions were made by R. L. Kelly as to methods by which the Council of Church Boards of Education could participate in this campaign.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. The primary purpose of the Council is to stimulate interest in American education and citizenship.
- 2. The Council attempts to strengthen the morale within the ranks of teachers and others engaged in education by emphasizing the spiritual values of education without which there never could have been and could not now be what we call American education.
- 3. The Council has special relation to the problem of teacher preparation since an increasing number of the alumni of most of the American schools and colleges have been entering the educational field.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. The Council now has at its disposal much data bearing on the problems of American education by virtue of the fact that it conducted the American Education Survey for the Interchurch World Movement.
- 2. Already numerous commissions have been appointed by various national educational associations for the study of phases of this material. By way of illustration, the Association of American Colleges now has a commission charged with the study of the problem of the distribution of colleges and the changes of function of individual colleges demanded by their location and resources, and also a commission on the scholarship of college faculties and students including the educational and professional standards for teachers.

3. Special studies are now being made with this material as a basis for groups of institutions representing national, state, denominational and technical interests.

CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS

- 1. The machinery and personnel of the Council and all its constituent Boards of Education will be placed at the disposal of the Bureau of Education in so far as this is practicable for the purposes of this campaign.
- 2. The colleges represented by the Council and also by the Association of American Colleges, which includes Catholic and independent institutions as well as those affiliated with the Church Boards, may be expected to co-operate.
- 3. The Council and the Boards of Education will assist the Bureau of Education in plans of publicity through the church papers.
- 4. The issues of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, the organ of the Council of Church Boards of Education, will be available for features of this campaign.
- 5. It has been the policy of the Association of American Colleges from its origin and remains the policy, to give to the Bureau of Education opportunities for presentation of the Bureau's plans at the annual meetings of the Association.
- 6. The Association of American Colleges has official representatives in many of the states and in many states also there are state organizations of colleges with which the Council freely co-operates.
- 7. The Council and the Boards of Education will assist the Bureau in placing proper publicity material in the hands of the one hundred and seventy thousand ministers of the country. The ministers are always responsive to appeals in behalf of American education.
- 8. Some utilization can undoubtedly be made of the Publicity Department of the Council which carries on its work through advertising, pamphlets, newspaper and magazine articles, and lectures illustrated by maps, charts and lantern slides.
- 9. Several of the constituent Boards of the Council are now conducting denominational campaigns in behalf of education and others are organizing such campaigns. The purposes of these campaigns are closely allied with those of the campaign authorized by the National Citizens' Conference on Education.